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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 6321:
AN ACT CONCERNING ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
CONNECTICUT PARENTAGE ACT.

Co-Chairs Senator Winfield and Representative Stafstrom; Ranking Members Senator Kissel and Representative Fishbein; and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of House Bill 6321: An Act Concerning Adoption and Implementation of The Connecticut Parentage Act.

Please accept this testimony in favor of House Bill 6321. This bill enjoys bi-partisan support and I'm proud to be a co-sponsor of the bill. This Act will provide a clear pathway to parentage in the state of Connecticut and ensures stability for the children of unmarried, same-sex, or non-biological parents.

Connecticut is behind the times when it comes to ensuring protections for these families. The stress and expense of having to wait until your child is born to have any legal standing is a time filled with anxiety and fear. I ask the Judiciary Committee to please see the way to alleviating those fears and providing a clear and equitable path to parentage for all our citizens.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my testimony on House Bill 6321.